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**RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 8, 2005 NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE**  
**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO ACCOMPANY RCE FILING**

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Responsive to the Notice of Allowance dated December 8, 2005, Applicant amends and remarks as follows:

**AMENDMENTS**